

Public Notice – Environmental Project

PURPOSE OF NOTICE:

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) seeks public comment on the state's response to the environmental aspects of a proposed project in the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

May 27, 2010 to June 17, 2010

TYPE OF RESPONSE:

Federal Consistency Determination

DEQ is reviewing a federal action to determine if it is consistent with the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program (VCP) established pursuant to the U.S. Coastal Zone Management Act. The VCP seeks to protect the quality of air, water or other natural resources in Virginia's coastal area.

NAME OF AGENCY PROPOSING THE PROJECT:

Federal Highway Administration

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The Federal Highway Administration submitted a federal consistency determination (FCD) for proposed improvements to the northern entrance of the Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge in the City of Virginia Beach. The improvements include resurfacing and widening a portion of the entrance road (which would add a new bike path), resurfacing parking areas, relocating and replacing the entrance booth, and reconfiguring a portion of the North Entrance Road (Route 10). The FCD states that the project will be consistent to the maximum extent practicable with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program.

HOW TO COMMENT:

DEQ accepts comments from the public by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments must include the name, address and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ within the comment period. The public may review the project documents at DEQ's central office in Richmond.

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